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For: **MANAGEMENT METHOD OF PERSONS AT RISK OF
COMPLICATIONS OF ARTERIAL OCCLUSIVE DISEASE**

PRELIMINARY A M E N D M E N T

Commissioner of Patents
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SIR:

In response to the outstanding Office Action of May 25, 2011,
enclosed is a Request For Continued Examination together with
Preliminary Amendment as follows:

**Attached is a complete listing of all claims in ascending
numerical order. Each claim has been provided with the proper
status identifier.**